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of Information, 3rd Air Force; Capt. G. D. Miller, Aide to General Ives; and Lt. R. Perkins, Chief of Community Relations, 3rd Air Force. Our first stop was at Wethersfield, where we had an excellent briefing on Community Relations activities. From there, we went to Lakenheath for another briefing. Afterwards, we had lunch at the Officers' Club. From Lakenheath to Mildenhall Airport is only a 15-minute drive. There, following a briefing, I made a presentation to the Mildenhall unit which has done most for Anglo-American relations during the past year. The trophy given by the Commanding Officer, Col. Kelly, was a fine silver bowl. At each stage, the reports indicated the excellence of the relationship between the English and American communities. They have succeeded in inter-weaving their activities in what appears to be an exemplary fashion. Upon my return to Northolt, I came directly to the office, to face a number of "Eyes Only" telegrams.

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We dined tonight with the Quaronis, on Grosvenor Square. Alice and Dean were engaged elsewhere. They have effected a vast improvement in the furnishings of the Embassy. The 16th Century silk tapestries in the dining room, which belong to the Italian Government, are as fine as anything in London.

May 10, 1962 - Thursday

This morning, delivery was made of our new Jaguar Mark X car. It looks attractive, with its natural leather upholstery and black exterior paint.

Helen and Walter Lippmann came to the office at ten o'clock, and spent an hour with me. Walter is concerned over the persistent rumors highlighted in this morning's New York Times of a possible Franco-German combination, in opposition to US policy about Berlin, Germany, and the nuclear deterrent.

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1. During the past year, there has been an increasing influx of American business firms because of recent German market developments. Over the level of last year, the registration of American citizens in the U.K. have shown an increase of 17 per cent;

2. Military requirements now pertain in the United Kingdom have increased from about 35,000 in 1951 to a peak figure of 47,000 but this figure will be slightly reduced during the current year due to the closing of several bases;

3. Passenger traffic, both to and from the U.K. has risen substantially in the last few years, due to the new technical developments in aircraft facilities, excursion rates and cheaper air fares;

4. [illegible] the arrangements [illegible] above-named services have been [illegible] the summer, [illegible] restrictions in circular at fire.

The following statistics [illegible] increase in consular services [illegible] are also [illegible]:

	1950	1951	1952	Increase 1951-52	1950	1951	1952	Increase 1951-52
Visas (non-imm.)	19,[illegible]	25,[illegible]	[illegible],000	28%	24,550	32,[illegible]	40,[illegible]	18%
" (imm.) ..	7,[illegible]	9,[illegible]	7,[illegible]	3.7%	12,[illegible]	12,[illegible]	13,[illegible]	-
U.K. passports	[illegible],[illegible]	[illegible],[illegible]	11,[illegible]	42.8%	23,[illegible]	27,[illegible]	36,[illegible]	33.0%
Misc. services	12,[illegible]	11,[illegible]	11,[illegible]	-	34,[illegible]	34,[illegible]	36,[illegible]	6.5%

[illegible]:				Reduction:				Reduction:
U.K./Israel ...	93		85	14.8%	76		74	3.6%

It will be seen, our offices have been dealing with steadily increasing [illegible] for services with reduced personnel, in which there is every indication of an even more substantial increase this year; non-immigrant visa issuances alone at the consulates for the first quarter rose 21% over the same period last year and 57% over 1950.

[illegible] have been received for the local theatre of the [illegible] Travel [illegible], advising the Consul General to prepare for an increase of 5% in tourist visas by the end of fiscal year 1953 and an increase of 10% by the end of 1954. [illegible] travel agency will book another 5,000 visitors this year, [illegible] arrangements for the movement of 3,300 this year. [illegible] can readily be made [illegible] charter carriers and travel agents and it was found that 21 charter flights have been arranged for this year, covering [illegible] passengers,

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